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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Michael L. Levy announced today that Jorge Garcia, a citizen of the Dominican Republic, was charged by Indictment ¹ on charges he made a false statement claiming to be a United States citizen in an application for a United States passport and that he used the birth certificate of former United States citizen who, prior to his death, lived in Puerto Rico as proof of his identity when he knew that he was not the person who was named in the birth certificate.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR YEAR OF BIRTH
JORGE GARCIA	Philadelphia, PA	Unknown

If convicted of the offenses charged in the indictment, Garcia faces a maximum of 20 years imprisonment, a fine of \$750,000 a \$300 special assessment and a period of supervised release after he is released from prison.

The case was investigated by the Diplomatic Security Service of the United States Department of State and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Floyd J. Miller.

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